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Czechoslovak-Rumanian Friendship Treaty Reportedly Initialed

A Czechoslovak Deputy Foreign Minister visited Bucharest during 14-18 May and initialed the new bilateral treaty of friendship, cooperation, and mutual assistance with Rumania, according to the Czechoslovak Charge in Bucharest. No difficulties were encountered during the negotiations, and the Rumanians bought Prague's special clause on the invalidity of the Munich Pact ab initio. The charge also asserted that the treaty contains a provision calling for consultation on important developments, but it says nothing about the desirability of adopting common positions. According to a French Embassy officer in Bucharest, Czechoslovak Foreign Minister Hajek plans to visit Bucharest later this month. He may sign the treaty then.

The Czechoslovak-Rumanian treaty formally expires on 24 July. The renewed treaty doubtlessly will be one of the least binding between Warsaw Pact allies. Rumania has yet to renew its already expired treaties with the USSR, Bulgaria, and Hungary.

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Annual Warsaw-Hanoi Aid Agreements Signed

A DRV aid-seeking delegation, led by Deputy Premier and politburo member Le Thanh Nghi, left Warsaw on 8 June for an undisclosed location after signing economic and military aid agreements. The group was received by party boss Gomulka and Premier Cyrankiewicz on 7 June. The delegation, which had earlier concluded similar agreements in Bulgaria and Hungary, may visit other Eastern European countries.

Polish official coverage of the 4-7 June talks in Warsaw played up political and economic "solidarity" of the negotiations, but significantly omitted mention of military aid. By contrast, Hanoi reported on 6 and 8 June that the talks resulted in the signing of three agreements: on "supplementary, non-refund, economic and military aid for 1968," a similar agreement for 1969, and an agreement on long-term Polish loans to the DRV. Hanoi also announced on 6 June that other members of the DRV delegation included Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade Nghiem Ba Duc, and deputy head of the General Logistics Department of the North Vietnamese Army, Nguyen Duy Thai.

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Indian President Arrives in Yugoslavia

The President of India, Dr. Zakir Husain, arrived in Belgrade on 10 June to begin a five day tour of Yugoslavia in return for President Tito's trip to India last January.

Talks between Presidents Husain and Tito are expected to touch on trade relations, and Tito will undoubtedly use this opportunity to discuss preparations for his proposed nonaligned conference.

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Coca Cola Comes to Hungary

Coke produced in Hungary went on sale on 1 June. The machinery came from a German subsidiary of Coca Cola, which will continue to supply the concentrate. The Hungarians will produce 15 million bottles a year under supervision of a visiting technician from Vienna. The agreement between Coca Cola and the Hungarian Liqueur Company was reached last October.

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